

HONORABLE THOMAS S. ZILLY

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

R.B., individually,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Joel Longares, Sr., in his individual capacity; as  
the Owner and Chairman of Atlas Shippers  
International, Inc., a California Corporation  
with Washington affiliates; and as CEO of Atlas  
Express Padala, Inc., a California Corporation  
with Washington affiliates

Defendants.

Case No: 2:23-cv-00938-TSZ

ORDER GRANTING JOINT  
STIPULATION TO SUBMIT MATTER  
TO ARBITRATION AND TO STAY  
ACTION PENDING ARBITRATION

The Court, having reviewed the Joint Stipulation to Submit Matter to Arbitration and to Stay Action Pending Arbitration (“Joint Stipulation”) entered into by Plaintiff R.B. (“Plaintiff”) and Defendants Joel Longares, Sr., Atlas Shippers International, Inc., and Atlas Express Padala, Inc. (collectively “Defendants”) (Plaintiff and Defendants referred to collectively as the “Parties”) hereby APPROVES the Parties’ Joint Stipulation, the terms of which state:

1. That Plaintiff’s claims against Defendants shall be submitted to arbitration before the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”), pursuant to the terms of the Arbitration Agreement between Plaintiff and Atlas Express Padala, Inc.;

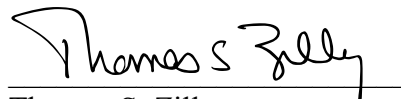
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2. That the Arbitration will proceed under the current Employment Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures of the AAA (“AAA Rules”), except that discovery will be governed by Rules 26–37 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to the extent the AAA Rules conflict with Rules 26–37 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; and

3. That the Litigation be stayed, pursuant to 9 U.S.C. § 3, pending completion of the Arbitration.

4. The parties shall file a Joint Status Report within fourteen (14) days of the conclusion of the Arbitration or by December 31, 2024, whichever occurs earlier.

DATED this 8th day of September, 2023.

  
Thomas S. Zilly  
United States District Judge